

## **MINUTES**

### **MONTANA SENATE 62nd LEGISLATURE - REGULAR SESSION**

#### **COMMITTEE ON FINANCE AND CLAIMS**

**Call to Order:** Chair Dave Lewis, on March 4, 2011 at 9:00 A.M., in Room 317 Capitol

#### **ROLL CALL**

##### **Members Present:**

Sen. Dave Lewis, Chairman (R)  
Sen. Rick Ripley, Vice Chairman (R)  
Sen. Debby Barrett (R)  
Sen. John Brenden (R)  
Sen. Taylor Brown (R)  
Sen. Steven Gallus (D)  
Sen. Bradley Hamlett (D)  
Sen. Bob Hawks (D)  
Sen. Jim Keane (D)  
Sen. Jon Sonju (R)  
Sen. Edward Walker (R)  
Sen. David E. Wanzonried (D)  
Sen. Carol Williams (D)

##### **Members Excused:**

Sen. Edward Buttrey (R)  
Sen. Mary Caferro (D)  
Sen. Llew Jones (R)  
Sen. Alan Olson (R)  
Sen. Jason Priest (R)  
Sen. Ryan Zinke (R)

**Members Absent:** None

**Staff Present:** Prudence Gildroy, Committee Secretary  
Taryn Purdy, Legislative Branch

**Audio Committees:** These minutes are in outline form only. They provide a list of participants and a record of official action taken by the committee. The link to the audio recording of the meeting is available on the Legislative Branch website.

##### **Committee Business Summary:**

Hearing & Date Posted: SB 237, 3/2/2011; SB 81, 3/2/2011; SB 343, 3/2/11; SB 385;  
3/2/11

**HEARING ON SB 237**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

00:01:01 Sen. Ron Arthun (R), SD 31, opened the hearing on SB 237, Revise laws relating to brucellosis surveillance.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

00:05:44 Druska Kinkie, Cattle Producers for Responsible Animal Health Development (Cattle PRAHD)

[EXHIBIT\(fcs49a01\)](#)

00:12:23 Roger Nelson, Park County Farm Bureau

[EXHIBIT\(fcs49a02\)](#)

00:15:14 Rick Gibson, Livestock Producer, Park County

00:18:47 Alan Redfield, Cattle PRAHD

00:21:07 John Youngberg, Montana Farm Bureau Federation

00:22:52 Jay Bailey, President, Cattle PRAHD and representing himself

[EXHIBIT\(fcs49a03\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(fcs49a04\)](#)

00:25:29 Jim Durgan, Park County Commissioner and representing himself

[EXHIBIT\(fcs49a05\)](#)

00:27:39 Jay Bodner, Montana Stockgrowers Association

00:28:38 Dave Schulz, Madison County Commissioner

[EXHIBIT\(fcs49a06\)](#)

00:28:59 Chris Christiaens, Montana Farmers Union

00:29:31 Rachel Kinkie, Cattle PRAHD, Madison County, Park County

[EXHIBIT\(fcs49a07\)](#)

**Opponents' Testimony:**

00:33:22 Dave Risley, Fish Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

[EXHIBIT\(fcs49a08\)](#)

00:38:38 Marty Zaluski, State Veterinarian, Department of Livestock (DOL)

[EXHIBIT\(fcs49a09\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(fcs49a10\)](#)

00:47:03 Jim Hagenbarth, Producer

[EXHIBIT\(fcs49a11\)](#)

**Informational Testimony:**

None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

00:54:46 Sen. Brendan

00:55:50 Mr. Risley, FWP

00:57:03 Sen. Brendan

00:57:41 Mr. Risley

00:58:13 Sen. Ripley  
00:58:35 Mr. Risley  
01:02:28 Sen. Ripley  
01:02:34 Mr. Risley  
01:02:41 Ken McDonald, FWP  
01:03:59 Sen. Ripley  
01:04:32 Mr. McDonald  
01:05:13 Sen. Ripley  
01:05:35 Sen. Brown  
01:06:19 Dr. Zaluski, DOL  
01:11:21 Sen. Brown  
01:11:30 Dr. Zaluski  
01:11:49 Sen. Brown  
01:12:26 Ms. Kinkie, Cattle PRAHD  
01:13:45 Sen. Hamlett  
01:14:20 Dr. Zaluski  
01:16:02 Sen. Hamlett  
01:16:10 Dr. Zaluski  
01:17:10 Sen. Barrett  
01:17:30 Mr. Hagenbarth  
01:18:24 Sen. Barrett  
01:18:41 Mr. Hagenbarth  
01:19:44 Sen. Barrett  
01:20:09 Ms. Kinkie  
01:21:13 Sen. Barrett  
01:21:32 Mr. McDonald, FWP  
01:21:42 Sen. Barrett  
01:21:50 Mr. McDonald

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:22:14 Sen. Arthun

**HEARING ON SB 343**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

01:23:38 Sen. Verdell Jackson (R), SD 5, opened the hearing on SB 343, Revise Montana aquatic invasive species act.

[EXHIBIT\(fcs49a12\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(fcs49a13\)](#)

[EXHIBIT\(fcs49a14\)](#)

**Proponents' Testimony:**

01:36:49 Greg Ames, Department of Agriculture

01:39:39 Bruce Rich, Department of Fish, Wildlife and Parks (FWP)

[EXHIBIT\(fcs49a15\)](#)

01:41:37 Bob Gilbert, Walleyes Unlimited of Montana  
01:43:47 Mike Murphy, Montana Water Resources Association (MWRA)  
01:44:34 Jeff Tiberi, Montana Association of Conservation Districts  
01:45:09 Mark Aagenes, Montana Trout Unlimited  
01:45:39 Ed Heger, Chairman, Flathead Basin Commission  
01:47:33 Janet Ellis, Montana Audubon Society  
01:47:53 Krista Lee Evans, Association of Gallatin Valley Irrigators  
01:48:18 Chris Christiaens, Montana Farmers Union Association  
01:48:53 Robin Cunningham, Fishing Outfitters Association of Montana  
01:49:22 Caryn Miski, Flathead Basin Commission

[EXHIBIT](#)(fcs49a16)

**Opponents' Testimony:**

None

**Informational Testimony:**

None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

01:52:12 Sen. Ripley  
01:52:41 Sen. Jackson  
01:57:17 Sen. Ripley  
01:57:22 Sen. Jackson  
01:57:43 Ms. Jiski, Flathead Basin Commission

**Closing by Sponsor:**

01:58:55 Sen. Jackson

**HEARING ON SB 385**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

02:01:52 Sen. Mary Caferro (D), SD 40, opened the hearing on SB 385, Provide for parents as scholars program.

[EXHIBIT](#)(fcs49a17)

**Proponents' Testimony:**

02:12:51 Christina Davis, State Director, Children's Defense Fund  
02:17:06 Sheila Hogan, Career Training Institute  
02:19:53 Layna George, Working for Equality and Economic Liberation (WEEL)

**Opponents' Testimony:**

02:20:55 Hank Hudson, Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

**Informational Testimony:**

None

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

02:25:08 Chairman Lewis  
02:25:49 Mr. Hudson, DPHHS  
02:26:44 Sen. Sonju  
02:26:58 Mr. Hudson  
02:27:15 Sen. Sonju  
02:27:25 Mr. Hudson  
02:27:53 Sen. Barrett  
02:28:07 Sen. Caferro  
02:28:28 Sen. Barrett  
02:28:48 Sen. Caferro  
02:30:17 Sen. Brenden  
02:31:15 Ms. Davis, Children's Defense Fund  
02:31:40 Sen. Brenden  
02:31:53 Chairman Lewis

**Closing by Sponsor:**

02:32:13 Sen. Caferro

**HEARING ON SB 81**

**Opening Statement by Sponsor:**

02:35:21 Sen. David Wanzonried (D), SD 49, opened the hearing on SB 81, Revise commercial drivers license provisions.

**Proponents' Testimony:**

02:36:09 Brenda Nordlund, Motor Vehicle Division, Department of Justice  
[EXHIBIT\(fcs49a18\)](#)  
02:39:57 Spook Stang, Motor Carriers of Montana

**Opponents' Testimony:**

None

**Informational Testimony:**

02:40:54 Jim Lynch, Department of Transportation

**Questions from Committee Members and Responses:**

None

**Closing by Sponsor:**

02:41:44      Sen. Wanzenried

**ADJOURNMENT**

Adjournment: 11:44

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Prudence Gildroy, Secretary

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**Additional Documents:**

**EXHIBIT([fcs49aad.pdf](#))**